

RUSSIAN AUTHORITIES WITHDRAW FROM POLAND

Von Bernstorff Reports Independent Government Set Up, With War-saw as Capital.

GERMAN PEOPLE ENTHUSIASTIC
Returning Ambassador Says Nation Is United to Defend Itself Against Frivolous and Unwarranted Attack of Zealous Powers.

NEW YORK, August 24.—Count Johann von Bernstorff, German ambassador to the United States, announced upon his arrival here today from Rotterdam that his government had been informed that Russian civil and military authorities had withdrawn from Poland, and that the Poles had set up an independent government, with Warsaw as its capital.

Count von Bernstorff left Berlin on August 11. At that time, he said, the German government had reports that the Russian soldier had been in Poland.

"I do not know what sort of government the Poles set up," he said, "but I vouch for the accuracy of the report."

Cable dispatches from St. Petersburg two weeks ago stated that the Czar had promised autonomy to Poland in return for its support of the Russian army.

"The German people are as one man for the war," said the ambassador. "I am old enough to remember 1870 and the enthusiasm that stirred our country then. In this war the enthusiasm is ten times as great as it was then. The women and children and the old men have uncomplainingly gone into the helms to gather the crops. There is a multimillionaire in Munich who is delivering mail from door to door. He volunteered to do so, because the postman had to go to war."

GERMANY WILL WIN.

Count von Bernstorff returned to Germany today on the steamer Noord, and gave out one of the most authoritative interviews yet expressed here or Germany in regard to the war. Germany is bound to win in the end, he said, as she is fighting because her cause is just. Italy, he believed, will not take sides against Germany. "My wife is with the Red Cross at Munich," said the ambassador, "and my son is with the Imperial Guard. All my secrets have gone to the front, and I regret that I was not able to see active service myself."

"From the Emperor to the lowest unskilled workmen in the Fatherland, Germany is united to defend herself against the frivolous and unwarranted attack of jealous powers. The German people will fight to a finish and will be victorious in the end."

"At the outbreak of the war," he continued, "the English cut the cable to this neutral country for the sole purpose of preventing the truth from coming out. There were articles in the press that act, except the desire to deceive the people of the United States. But I believe Americans will prove themselves fair enough to weigh carefully all the news that comes from English and French sources."

SUPREMACY OF PACIFIC IS ASSURED TO JAPAN.

"The calling of the Japanese into a European quarrel shows one thing above all else. It is that the Japanese do not feel very safe. The Japanese will doubtless take Kinkuchau—sheer weight of numbers counts that. But the end of the war, Japan will have the supremacy of the Pacific—a thing she has striven for during many years. Japan took advantage of the situation to strike for the sole purpose of acquiring this supremacy."

"When the true story of the assault on Liège is told, Americans will have a far different opinion than that gained from the colored accounts from Belgium, French and English sources. As a matter of fact, the troops under Von Bismarck which went to the assault on this strongly fortified position numbered only between 5,000 and 6,000 infantry and cavalry. The taking of Liège was one of the greatest military feats in modern times. What was expected to take weeks, was accomplished in days by two brigades of Von Bismarck's army, which were slightly wounded in the attack, but did not retreat."

The ambassador denied reports that the crown prince had been wounded by an assassin in Berlin. Moreover, he added, the crown prince had never been wounded before. The only reason for this was that he was not at Liège, but in command of troops at the fortress at Metz.

ARMY UNDER CROWN PRINCE WINS GREAT VICTORY.

"The last great German victory I heard of before leaving Berlin," said

the ambassador, "was one at Metz by the army under the crown prince. Of the reported Russian invasion of East Prussia, Count von Bernstorff said:

"The reports of the penetration by a Russian force are probably true. That part of the German frontier is not heavily fortified. But the Russians will never cross the Vistula. Fifteen corps of the Austrian army, comprising 40,000 men, are now on the Russian frontier of Austria, Count von Bernstorff said.

In Germany, besides the last line of regulars, 300,000 men upon whom the government had no claim for military service had volunteered and enrolled in the army for home defense.

AMPLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR AMERICANS TO LEAVE (Continued from First Page.)

arrangement with the chambers of commerce and boards of trade and local Red Cross organizations, whereby the collecting of contributions for the Red Cross and European expedition may be systematized.

Cash for Americans in London, even though they are unprovided with credit papers, has been arranged. Ambassador Page reported today that the steady stream of almost destitute Americans pouring in from the Continent is promptly cared for. He is sending all Americans to peace for home. More than 1,700 already are on their way from America from the Continent on chartered ships.

Rapidly with which Americans are taking passage for home made it seem probable, in the opinion of officials here, that it would be necessary to send army transports, being fitted out at Newport News.

GOLD COIN FOR SUCCESS OF NEEDY AMERICANS

BERLIN, August 24 (via Copenhagen).—London, 25 (via New York).—The British government, at the request of the American Red Cross, has agreed to issue gold coins for the use of the American Red Cross, and ten officers from the American Red Cross, arrived in Berlin Sunday morning on a special train from Holland. They brought gold coin for success of needy Americans.

Under the guidance of an attaché from the American embassy here, the special train made fast time, considering the state of war. This was explained by the fact that the railroad authorities attached the train to the car of a high German official, who was coming to Berlin.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR AMERICANS TO LEAVE SWITZERLAND

PARIS, August 24.—The American ambassador, Herrick, spent today at the Foreign Office arranging for special trains for Americans from Switzerland to Paris, and then from Paris to America. He is making arrangements also for two more French steamers to take Americans home. He has sent to Pleasant A. Stovall, the American minister at Bern, and to American consuls in Switzerland, to make arrangements for Americans to leave. "Arrangements have been made for 1,000 passengers to leave Geneva Wednesday, August 26, for 1,000 more on Thursday, for 500 on Friday, and 500 more on Saturday, all probably with a reasonable amount of baggage."

"These passengers must be made to understand that France is at war and Paris under military law. The government is showing special consideration for Americans, not only in permitting them to traverse France in such large numbers, but in providing them with transportation by land and sea when all means of transportation are required for military purposes."

Hence they must cheerfully do their part, and must agree to go to designated hotels in Paris, and to sail by designated steamships, which will be regular ships of the French transatlantic line. As a compensation for these services, the French government has agreed to accept even if passengers are less comfortable and more crowded than in times of peace.

"You must assure yourself that no person not an American citizen leaves on any special train from Paris."

"After giving the full name, age and profession and residence of each passenger must be prepared under your authority and accompany each train."

FRENCH ARMY WITHDRAWN IN HEAT OF GREAT BATTLE

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The news is unfavorable. He criticizes the general staff for its failure to reinforce the weak points along the line when they are struck. He cites the failure of the Fifteenth Corps to resist the enemy successfully, saying that this resulted in a withdrawal of the whole line.

In reply to this charge, the War Ministry, in official communiqué, administered the following rebuke:

"A morning newspaper announced that a division of the Fifteenth Corps had been defeated, a flight which had a grave consequence for subsequent operations. The fact presented in that form is incorrect. There were a few individual weaknesses of procedure, but the battle was won. They were followed by appropriate punishment. They did not have the importance attributed to them. It would be unjust to balance the fault of a few against the value of all the soldiers of a region where citizens, like all others, are ready to give their lives for their country."

A copy of the communiqué was addressed to the morning newspaper.

FAVORABLE REPORT ORDERED

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Senate Committee Acts on Nominations of McReynolds and Gregory.

WASHINGTON, August 24.—The nominations of Attorney-General McReynolds to be an associate justice of the Supreme Court, and Thomas Gregory to be Attorney-General were ordered favorably reported to the Senate today by the Judiciary Committee.

Although the vote on the McReynolds nomination was not announced, it was said all Democratic members favored confirmation. Progressive Senators expected to fight it on the floor.

Some of the opposition in committee was based on the enforced retirement of James H. Wilkerson, of Chicago, district attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, who, it was claimed, he was in the midst of important government cases.

WILL FLY AMERICAN FLAG

Big Corporation to Take Advantage of New Registry Law.

WASHINGTON, August 24.—The United States Steel Corporation, Standard Oil Company and the United Fruit Company have notified the government of their intentions to put their fleets under the American flag, under the new law extending home registry to foreign built craft.

Under American Registry. NEW YORK, August 24.—The Oceana, owned by the Delaware-Hudson Steamship Company, being made ready to sail Saturday for Genoa, will probably be the first foreign steamship to fly the American flag. She will be placed under American registry, according to her owners. The Oceana, for a time piloted between Bermuda and this port.

Huerta Will Go to Spain. LONDON, August 24.—Don Toribio Huerta, until recently President of Mexico, accompanied by the members of his party, left London today for Bristol, where he will embark for Spain. His appearance was that of an ill man.

AMERICANS CHARTER SHIP TO GET OUT OF EUROPE

Voyage of the Undine and Circumstances Preceding It Perhaps Without Parallel.

ARRIVAL OF OTHER STEAMERS

Arrangements for Italian Liner Made by Dock Commissioner of New York, Who Takes Up Option Five Minutes Before It Expires.

NEW YORK, August 24.—Four hundred more Americans, who scrambled out of Europe because of the war, reached New York on the Italian liner Principe di Umberto, from Genoa. The vessel was specially chartered for the trip by R. A. C. Smith, dock commissioner of New York. Among the passengers were Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt.

The Undine reached quarantine late last night, followed by the Holland-American Line steamer Noord, from Rotterdam. Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador to the United States, was among the Noord's passengers.

Other arrivals today were the Norwegian steamer Kristinafjord from Bergen, with more than 1,500 passengers, nearly all Americans, and the Dutch tank steamer New York from Rotterdam. The latter reported it was stopped by a British torpedo boat in the Downs, and its cargo inspected.

Two hundred thousand dollars was paid the Lloyd Sabaudia Company at Genoa for the use of the Principe di Umberto. Each passenger paid \$250 gold as a minimum for the first cabin accommodations, leaving a balance of about \$40,000, which will be met by the committee which arranged the trip.

In a statement issued at New York today, the committee says "The money was well spent."

It was suggested in a statement issued by passengers that a special committee should confer with representatives of the state department "to submit trustworthy information on the critical financial and sanitary situation of fellow-citizens in Southern Europe."

This letter was signed, among others, by Henry Barnett, Louisville, Ky.; Theodore W. Noyes, Washington; the Rev. Edward Bondthaler, North Carolina; and Landon Thomas, Augusta, Ga.

BRITISH CRUISER COMES ALONGSIDE

The Undine saw no warships until last Thursday afternoon, when a British auxiliary cruiser, believed to be the former German liner, came alongside. After looking the liner over, and ascertaining that she flew the neutral Italian flag, the cruiser withdrew.

The voyage of the Undine and the circumstances which preceded it were perhaps without parallel. It was a case of buying a ship, as it were, to get out of Europe. Greatest difficulty was experienced in arranging the financial details at Genoa, for while there were millions represented among the Americans in the enterprise, getting cash was quite another matter. After negotiation and counter-negotiation, it had been made, the liner finally got away at Wednesday noon, August 17.

"By the terms of the charter," says a statement by the committee, "certain francs had to be paid in cash to the Lloyd Sabaudia Company before 4:30 P. M. on Friday, August 7, and the balance, 450,000 francs, was to be paid by the day before sailing, August 11. To meet these conditions required no small ingenuity, as well as constant and difficult negotiations. A mortgage loan had been declared in Italy, and the banks were only making their depositors a limited and small amount daily. It was next to impossible to obtain cash on letters of credit issued in America at this point. The general manager of the American Express Company in Genoa came to the aid of the Americans. By taking the personal checks and personal guarantees of the guarantors, he was able at 4:20 P. M. on Friday, or five minutes before the option expired, to make payment of the 450,000 francs."

The Minnowaska, an Atlantic transport liner, arrived here tonight from London with 261 passengers, most of them Americans. One of her passengers was Mrs. Horace Warden, one of the principals in a romance which was the absorbing topic of discussion during the voyage. Mrs. Warden is the nineteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Eashy Smith, of Washington. Two days before the Minnowaska sailed, the then Miss Smith married Horace Warden, a lieutenant in the British Royal Medical Corps. He left her to engage in service on Belgian battle grounds. She was a student in a music school in Brussels when the war began.

To Bring Refugees Home. SAN FRANCISCO, August 24.—The United States army transport Buford left San Francisco yesterday under orders to make a fast run to Galveston via the Panama Canal, and thence to Europe to assist in returning American refugees to this country. The Buford can carry 1,200 passengers, and is believed she will be retained by the government for mail service in Atlantic waters.

MOVEMENTS OF JAPAN OF INTEREST IN U. S. (Continued from First Page.)

ging trenches, laying mines, and building wire entanglements. The claim is made that the taking of Kinkuchau will cost Japan 100,000 lives. There is food and ammunition sufficient to withstand a siege of four months.

The garrison of 7,000 trained men, held this as the last message to go over the wires before the city was captured. "We will proudly and happily sacrifice ourselves for the Emperor and the empire. The more of such enemies the more honor."

It is Just Natural To Admire Babies

Our altruistic nature impels love for the cooing infant. And at the same time the subtlest of mothers is ever before us. To know what to do that will add to the physical comfort of expectant motherhood is a subject that has interested most women of all times. One of the real helpful things is an external abdominal application sold in most drug stores under the name of "Mother's Friend." We have known so many grandmothers, who in their younger days relied upon this remedy, and who recommended it to their own daughters that it certainly must be what its name indicates. They have used it for its direct influence upon the muscles, cords, ligaments and tendons as it aims to afford relief from the strain and pain so often unnecessarily severe during the period of pregnancy.

A little book mailed by Dr. H. H. Regulator Co., 306 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., refers to many things that women like to read about. It refers not only to the relief from muscle strain due to their expansion but also to nausea, morning sickness, taking of broasts and many other distresses.

The European War

bids fair to be the most disastrous since the beginning of the world. It is also a peculiar coincidence that ALL the warring nations have conferred royal appointments on the

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Mr. F. W. Calvert, Manager of the Atlantic Hotel, Norfolk, Va., comments as follows:

Dear Sirs,—I have used your Shepard's Fly Driver and Insect Exterminator, and have found it to be everything that you recommend it to do.

I have seen it used in cleaning a building in this city, and will say that it gave perfect satisfaction in ridding the building of all insects, and I would gladly recommend it to any one. I beg to remain, Very truly yours, F. W. CALVERT.

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For sale at all druggists and first-class dealers. Trade supplied by Powers-Taylor Drug Co. and Owens & Minor Drug Co. C. W. COFIELD, personal representative from the factory, will be at Murphy's Hotel for one week. Would be glad to hear from or give demonstration to any one interested.

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There is a Sale of Rummage at Cohen's Store

When all that look to economy should be at the store.

Here are a few items from the Curtain Department, which has been moved to the fourth floor to give it larger space. All the heretofore things that have accumulated—and are not to be duplicated—will go into the Rummage Sale, as for instance—

Real Arab Curtains, of heavy net, Chrys Curtains, with edging and insertion on net, and Cable Net Curtains, that have been \$5.00, some white; any pair, \$3.00

Lot of Nottingham Curtains, that have been \$1.00, and the best value in the city at that price, will sell for, pair, 60c

Some Nottingham Curtains, odd lots, to be sold for, 25c

These are only a beginning of the various lots on sale.

All the 25c Printed Serim or Marquise will be sold for, 15c

Handsome Cretonnes; fine 50c goods, in choicest patterns that the season has produced, on sale for, yard, 25c

Pure Linen Furniture Covering, double width; the rummage sale will make it, yard, 30c

Muslin and Silkoline; the yard-wide 12 1/2c goods will be sold for, yard, 7 1/2c

\$2.00 to \$2.98 Wash Dresses, the newest and best styles of this season, are \$1.00 marked at \$1.00, including You can buy \$8.00 and \$10.00 Dresses for \$3.00 down \$2.50

In all probability the best White skirts that have come to this city at \$1.50, just produced into new styles, too many, \$1.00 Rummage Sale, each, 50c

The Children's Dep't Has its Rummage as Well

50c Hats for 25c. \$1.50 and \$2.00 ones for 50c. \$3.00 to \$5.00 Dresses for \$2.

The entire store is a Rummage Shop for this week.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Local thunder showers and cooler Tuesday; Wednesday probably fair, except showers extreme southwest portion. North Carolina—Local thunder showers Tuesday and Wednesday.

Special Local Data for Yesterday. 12 noon temperature, 85. 2 P. M. temperature, 100. Maximum temperature up to 8. Minimum temperature up to 8.

March 1. Accumulated deficiency in temperature since January 1. 191. Deficiency in rainfall since March 1. 2.64

Local Observations 8 P. M. Yesterday. Temperature, 82. Humidity, 65. Wind-direction, S. E. Wind-velocity, 12. Weather, Cloudy.

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES. (At 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.) Place. H. T. L. Weather. Asheville, 76, 86, 64, P. cloudy.

Atlanta, 82, 88, 76, Clear. Baltimore, 80, 92, 70, Clear.

Boston, 68, 84, 70, P. cloudy. Buffalo, 62, 68, 42, P. cloudy.

Calgary, 58, 64, 44, Clear. Charleston, 82, 90, 44, Clear.

Chicago, 66, 66, 44, Cloudy. Cincinnati, 68, 84, 60, Cloudy.

Duluth, 50, 56, 58, P. cloudy. Galveston, 84, 88, 80, P. cloudy.

Hatteras, 78